

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0002] with the following rewritten paragraph:

This application also incorporates by reference the following patent applications:

Docket No. PBC.2000-108 U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 10/033,383, entitled
"ENHANCED CMTS FOR RELIABILITY, AVAILABILITY, AND
SERVICEABILITY," Liva et al., filed October 24, 2001; and U.S. Patent Application
Ser. No. 09/974,030, entitled "MULTIPLE INPUT, MULTIPLE OUTPUT CHANNEL,
DIGITAL RECEIVER TUNER," Fabien Buda, filed October 10, 2001.